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LIMERICK'S REMINDER OF ENGLAND'S PERFIDY.



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THE TREATY STONE, LIMERICK.—Whosoever visits "Limerick of the Battles" will observe the large stone, elevated on a pedestal, near the foot of Thomond Bridge. It is the "Treaty Stone," on which Major-General Patrick Sarsfield, Earl of Lucan, on the part of the Irish, and Lieutenant-General Baron de Ginkel, on the part of William III., of England, signed the celebrated capitulation of Oct. 3, 1691, when the Irish army, that had made so gallant a resistance, marched out with all the honors of war, "drums beating, colors flying and matches lighted" to take service in the armies of France. These brave men preferred exile and the constant danger of the battlefield to a life of slavery in Ireland, where, for a hundred years after their departure, the terrible penal laws enacted against the Catholics remained in full force. This, too, in flagrant violation of the solemn treaty which guaranteed to them civil and religious liberty. Hence Limerick is also called "The City of the Violated Treaty."

The Treaty Stone of Limerick that oft with magic charm
Lit up in wrath the Irish heart and nerv'd the Irish arm.

What hewed, in scores, at Fontenoy, King George's cohorts down,
But burning thoughts of thee and home—the treaty-riven town?

Owing to the Vandalish propensities of the relic demons, the municipal authorities of Limerick were compelled to protect the Treaty Stone, as shown in the sketch.

Gaelic League Night

Mechanics' Pavilion Thronged by Many Thousands

More than 9,000 persons passed in through the doors of the Mechanics' Pavilion last night, and packed the big building on both floors. The Gaelic League were present as guests of the Irish Fair, and came from nearly all parishes of San Francisco, from Sacramento, Oakland, Crockett, Vallejo and Port Costa with their officers and most of them accompanied by priests. The Leaguers met in City Hall Avenue, near the pavilion, and entered the Fair in procession, with Jeremiah Deasy, treasurer of the League, as Marshal, and the following State officers leading: The Rev. Peter C. Yorke, president; T. J. Mellott, vice-president; Miss F. X. Barr, recording secretary; Charles Lowe, corresponding secretary; D. S. McCarthy, financial secretary; Miss M. A. Barry of Gilroy, Connor Murphy of Port Costa, J. C. Casey of Port Costa, T. F. Marshall of Oakland, J. J. Conniffe, C. J. Collins, the Rev. William Lyons and the Rev. John F. Nugent of San Francisco, directors.

After marching twice around the pavilion amid enthusiastic applause, the League assembled on the main floor and were welcomed by Father Yorke in Gaelic. M. O'Mahoney responded in the old speech for the League. Rev. Martin Concannon of Stockton also spoke in Gaelic. The Gaelic Choral Society sang several songs in Irish, and then the throng surged back and forth till the congestion on the main floor was relieved by a few thousands being led upstairs by the announcers.

Westmeath and Cavan entertained, but it was almost impossible for more than a small portion of the visitors to enjoy the attractive programme presented by these counties.

The great crowd was swelled by the attendance of all the students of St. Mary's College, Oakland, and the Christian Brothers of that college and their other schools; also the boys of St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum.

The following representatives from the McHale branch of the Gaelic League recently organized in Sacramento took part in the celebration last evening: Mr. James Fitzgerald, Mr. Henry P. Smith, Mr. Bernard Brady, Miss Lilian Flynn, Miss Minnie Flynn, Miss May Quinn, Mr. Peter Fitzgerald, Mr. John Enright, Mr. Anthony McNamara, Mr. T. J. O'Halloran and Mr. J. H. Moore.

The visitors extended congratulations to ALL IRELAND and wished success to the Fair. Father Enright, President of the League, was unable to be present but sent his regrets.

Brother Venandius and Brother Aldrich of St. Joseph's Institute, Oakland, made a brief call at the editorial rooms. Brother Erinold was noticed in the throng.

Captain Conor Murphy, of the Irish Volunteers of Port Costa and State Director of the Gaelic League, was among the prominent Irish Nationalists who visited the Fair Gaelic League Night. The Fair has already been the recipient of many favors from Captain and Mrs. Conor Murphy. They surely belong to the Irish of the Irish.

Miss Frances X. Barr State Secretary of the Gaelic League was seen enjoying herself at the various booths. Frances is very popular among the Gaelic Leaguers.

Tonights' Program

Gaelic Dancing Club, Limeick and Monaghan will Celebrate

The members of the Gaelic Dancing Club have been very busy for the past week making arrangements for this evening's entertainment. A special meeting of the Club was held last Sunday afternoon, and the enthusiasm shown by the members gives promise of a splendid turnout. The program will commence with a grand march on the main floor of the pavilion. The march will be led by fifty couples from the Club, in costume. It is anticipated that five hundred couples will participate. After the grand march the Club will hold its regular social at the Cross Roads, in the Art Gallery up stairs, where in addition to the American dances, exhibitions will be given of the Irish square dances—four-hand and eight-hand reels, quadrilles and the high-caul-cap. Also jig and hornpipe dancing by Messrs O'Connor and Kelleher, Patrick Lynch, Misses Bessie Allen and Pearl Hickman and other professionals.

Miss Campbell's juvenile class, who are all experts, will also exhibit their prowess.

Taken altogether, the program to be carried out this evening by the Gaelic Dancing Club promises to be the most attractive yet offered.

Limerick and Monaghan will hold their "at home" this evening and indeed it will be a fine gathering. The following program will be presented to an attentive and appreciative audience:

Vocal Solo, Miss Josephine Rogers; Jig Dance, Miss Sadie Tracy; Vocal Solo, Miss Madge Vaughn; Athletic Exercises by members of Olympic Club; Boxing by Leonard and Johnson; Vocal Solo, Mr. Geo. Mills.

The concert by the Iroquois Band this evening will consist of the following selections under the direction of Robert Allan:

"Geo. Funston's Fighting 20th," Wheeler; Waltz, "Come Back to Erin," James Garrod; Topical Hits, Medley, Sol. Bloom; Gavotte, "Happy Days in Dixie," Robt. Allan; March, "The Irish Dragoon," Godfrey; Song, "Believe me if all those endearing young charms," performed by E. W. Kent, Tom Moore; Ancient Irish Airs, Composed by Ancient Irish Musicians; Jigs, "Ireland's Choicest," Composed by Ancient Irish Musicians.

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KILDARE.

Mrs. Casey and Miss Kavanagh paid a visit to the Fair and were glad to see that Kildare Booth was represented, and offered it assistance until the close of the Fair.

Mr. Bayreuther never tires of his position at the race course, rain or shine.

Miss Nora Hopkins enjoys taking in the money. Mrs. Burke has a pleasant smile as the dimes are flowing in.

KERRY.

Kerry presented a very lively scene last night on the occasion of its evening at home. Many natives of the Kingdom were in attendance and a number of the clergy spent a very enjoyable evening at this booth. The ladies in charge were richly gowned and their beauty lent enchantment to the scene. The affair was an immense success.

DUBLIN.

Dublin has added to its beautiful collection two very excellent pictures and some of the finest glassware which is sure to please the ladies. Dublin was visited last night by Father Sullivan. Mrs. Will Huckins was also a welcome visitor at Dublin.

THE ANIMATOSCOPE.

The Animatoscope exhibition to the right of the main entrance is a fine display of moving pictures which deserves liberal patronage. A new series of pictures is shown daily and the operator is an expert electrician who handles his appliances in such a manner as to insure a steady, brilliant, lifelike effect. The pictures shown are mostly new subjects.

CHILDREN'S PUNCH AND JUDY.

The little ones are delighted every afternoon by the clever Punch and Judy show. The little pigmy figures never fail to make the youngsters scream with laughter. Take the children with you to the Fair in the afternoon and let them see this feature.

LONGFORD.

If you get lost in the Fair just drop into Longford Booth, there is a map of Ireland there and a number of beautiful young ladies who will show you around. If you visit the booth you won't be in a hurry to leave as there are many beautiful articles on display. Mr. McShea, Miss Morris and Miss Guilfooy constitute the management of this booth.

GALWAY.

Galway is crowded every night. 'Tis no wonder, it is such a beautiful booth.

CLARE.

Miss J. Malone of Clare Booth was visited last night by Senator Richard Welch, Supervisor Fred Bent and Ex-Supervisor Britt and Dr. Chas. McCarthy. Miss Malone has arranged to have another evening at home on Saturday night next.

ROSCOMMON.

Roscommon Booth has in the persons of Mrs. McGinnis, Mrs. B. Naughton

and Miss Etta McCarthy an energetic and beautiful trio of workers. These ladies have a tastefully decorated booth with many beautiful articles displayed. Wednesday evening will be Roscommon's evening at home.

SLIGO.

Mr. P. Gordan is an attractive personage at Sligo Booth. Appearing in real High Caul Cap and a beautiful apron he makes an excellent spieler.

There were many visitors at Sligo last night, and all seemed to be very much attracted by the beautiful pictures of Sligo, namely: "Falls of Ballysacker," "Cathedral in Sligo," "Sligo Abbey," and a picture of the interior of the Cathedral. All natives of Sligo who have seen these pictures are deeply impressed by them, as they recall fond memories of other days.

TYRONE.

Visitors to the Fair should visit the Tyrone Booth which is situated under the middle arch of the bridge on the Polk street end of the Pavilion. The tastefully decorated booth, the many useful and ornamental articles, the electric piano and the Tyrone handicap will interest you. Miss Lizzie Maguire the president is on hand constantly to extend the hospitalities. The Carlow Annex is under the supervision of Mrs. D. Finnegan and here you can get a good cup of coffee free.

WATERFORD.

Mrs. O. Laft did a thriving business last night at Waterford Booth. She was attired in pink silk trimmed with black applique. A beautiful set of silver tea spoons has been presented to Waterford Booth by Miss M. McCarthy.

THE ART GALLERY.

Visitors are reminded of the advantage of going up in the gallery early in the evening, as there is a host of attractions to be enjoyed.

Up there one can visit dear old Ireland by looking in at the grand topographical map, viewing the splendid booth of the Academy ladies, riding the Rocky Road, Merry-go-round, Shooting Kitchener in Brother Phelan's Shooting Gallery, having your fortune told by a real live Gypsy; and seeing the superb collection of Irish Art in the Art Gallery. Don't overlook the gallery when visiting the Fair.

WICKLOW.

Little Della Redmond is a vivacious entertaining little worker who contributes in no small way to the success of Wicklow Booth. She is possessed of a remarkable pair of roguish eyes which instantly bring the young men under her spell to the financial benefit of the booth.

ROCKY ROAD TO DUBLIN.

There seems to be no age-limit maintained among the jolly patrons of the Rocky Road and Merry-go-round. They are crowded nightly by romping hilarious crowds of all ages and conditions in life, the sedate banker and mer-

chant mingle with the children and clamor for rides and the front gallery fairly rings with laughter and merriment.

A NEW FEATURE.

A new feature added last night that instantly attracted attention was furnished by Mr. J. H. McCarthy and Mr. P. Kirby. They are two well-known expert horse shoers and have erected a forge beside the jaunting car track where they are giving clever exhibitions of lightning horse-shoe turning. They average a shoe each minute. The shoes are stamped and disposed of as souvenirs for the benefit of the Fair.

THE IRISH MUSEUM.

If Jim O'Donnell keeps on increasing the number of freaks in his museum it will outgrow the Chutes in magnitude. Jim is negotiating with the Chutes and others for a host of novelties to be added nightly. If you have not seen his latest annex, you have missed a treat. It consists of prehistoric freaks, (fakes?) antiquities, relics, objects of mythology, geology, anthropology, "fakeology," etc., go in and have a hearty laugh.

A DISTINGUISHED TRIO.

There are three of a kind at the door who are hard to beat. Col. Dan Rear-don, Lieut. Jas. Mugan and Capt. Jno. Leahy.

In the first place the ladies are considering a beauty contest to decide which of the three is the handsomest. Each of them wore a depressed expression when they were informed of the arrest of poor Happy Hooligan.

THE MAP OF IRELAND.

Some pathetic scenes are witnessed at intervals in the great Map of Ireland. Especially the kneeling down and silent tear that moistens the sacred soil of dear old Ireland, as the visitor reaches the sod from his or her own county.

BLARNEY CASTLE.

It is quite amusing to see the antics of the visitors about Blarney Castle and its historic stone. Mr. Curtis discovered the advantage of keeping out of sight and letting the visitors sneak in clandestinely.

The ladies have an irresistible weakness toward the stone as well as the various fortune tellers, but they don't want others seeing them indulge their harmless superstitions.

POOR LORD KITCHENER.

Since setting up his Lordship in his shooting gallery, Brother Phelan's firing line has swelled to great proportions and his poor Lordship and Happy Hooligan have received a hot fusillade and now look like they had been well "bored."

A ROMANY GYPSY.

The fortune teller in the gallery is the "real thing," being a pedigreed Romany Gypsy of some distinction. She is well up in astrology, etc., and can "cast the horoscope, read the signs of the zodiac, etc." Ladies go up and interview Ogala in Brother Phelan's interesting gallery annex.

GEMS OF IRISH ART.

All lovers of art are enraptured with the superb collection of paintings in the Art Gallery. There are marine, landscape and still-life subjects in oil, water-color and sepia. Most of the paintings are from the brush of Irish artists, and there are many Irish subjects exquisitely painted by other famous artists. Coulter's "Dublin Bay," is a masterpiece and is alone worthy a visit of inspection. Don't fail to visit the Art Gallery and view the grand collection.

MAYO.

You talk of dice-spielers said a young gentleman who visited the Mayo Booth last night, but Dr. Mary Holton takes the cake. Willie Judge says the presence of the fair Doctor by his side gives him courage to take the job for another week.

The Mayo's will give a surprise on their night at home.

WEXFORD.

Attention! Now is your time. Wexford is strictly in the swim stopping every one and every thing that comes its way. The young ladies are earnestly working for the success of their booth. Among the active workers are Mr. Wm. Doyle, president; Mrs. Cavanaugh, vice-president; Miss May Grace, secretary and treasurer; Miss Anna Doran, Mrs. T. N. Doran, Miss Agnes Griffin, Miss Leonor Cavanaugh, Miss May Casey, Miss Anna Cavanaugh, Miss Alice Cavanaugh, Miss Margaret Casey, Mr. T. N. Doran and Mr. T. Cavanaugh.

MEATH.

County Meath Booth had the pleasure of entertaining the members of Gaelic League where refreshments were served. Music by Messrs. Collins and Riddell.

In size County Meath Booth is the smallest, but for doing its share in making the Irish Fair a success it ranks with the largest.

Meath has an able assistant in Michael Lindener.

DONEGAL.

Rev. Father McDonald now holds a prominent place in Donegal Castle. An enlarged photo, framed in black and gold stands in the center of the castle on a beautiful easel.

The beautiful doll representing the Daughter of Tyrconnell is attracting much attention at Donegal. She is attired in white satin trimmed with silk chiffon. A handsome and costly green velvet mantle carelessly thrown over the shoulders adds much to her beauty.

Miss Annie Roche, one of the most popular young ladies of Donegal has been most earnest in her solicitations for chances on this lovely doll.

The Misses Cavanaughs, Murphy, Haffey and Toland are most charming and bring much success to Donegal by their winsome ways.

Mr. Hugh Haffey is the most successful spieler of Donegal Booth. He almost outwits the "Wonder," H. Pinkham.

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LIMERICK

Written for ALL IRELAND by PROFESSOR HOLLAND
of St. Mary's College.

Limerick, the city of the violated treaty, is situated at the end of the long estuary of the Shannon. Like all Ireland's cities, its site is a picturesque one. The Cratloe hills rise to a great elevation within a few miles to the North of it, and to the East the cathedral dome of Keeper mountain (2100 feet) is visible on clear days. From tide level to Castle connel, the winding course of the river presents scenes of beauty which for diversity and splendor are unrivalled. The rapids at Pateen and Plassy surpass anything to be found on the much vaunted upper reaches of the Thames, Tweed and other British rivers which attract far more tourists; and of Doonass, Shaw's guide says with truth: "The Shannon here with a greater volume of water than the four largest rivers of England put together, rushes headlong for nearly half a mile over and through a vast aggregation of rocks presenting a spectacle approaching the sublime." The scenery on the lower Shannon is also, as Thackeray says, "rich and generous."

The city of Limerick from a very early period held high rank as perhaps the second city in Ireland, and before its historic walls, were defeated the Norman chivalry, the Cromwellian Ironsides and the Williamite army flushed with previous victories. The corporation is very ancient, the mayoralty dating back to the time of Richard I, ten years before London obtained the distinction.

In 815 the Danes first appeared on the Shannon, and after destroying many churches, were defeated at Glin. They returned, however, and Brian Boru expelled them from the Islands of the Shannon in the eleventh century. In 1106, Mortagh, the son of King Turlogh O'Brien, transferred the seat of royalty from Cashel to Limerick, and it was held by King Donal O'Brien when Henry II arrived. In 1175, Raymond le Gros took it; but it was burned by Donal the same year. It was rebuilt soon after, and the foreigners again failing to take it, O'Brien felt so secure of his metropolis that he built the cathedral church of St. Mary on the site of his palace. In 1195 however, the foreigners were in possession, and were again driven out by Maccarthy.

were again driven out by Maccarthy of Desmond.

In the thirteenth century, King John granted it to his followers, established a mint, and built the bridge; the castle was built in the same reign by one William de Burgo. Edward Bruce burned the suburbs in 1316, and rallying his Irish allies, held court there for several months. Soon after the Irish town was walled round, and during Elizabeth's reign the walls were fortified by twenty-four towers in the English town, and by twelve towers and strong outworks in the Irish quarter. The Confederates under Lord Muskerry and Gen. Barry took it in 1642, and the city was represented in the parliament of Kilkenny. Additional fortifications were then raised, and it became the headquarters of the Catholic forces during the Confederate war. The massive and gloomy structure called King John's Castle was the center of romantic and heroic transactions in the struggles which took place for centuries, commanding as it did the only entrance to Limerick over the Shannon.

In 1651, the city was besieged by Ireton, the son-in-law of Cromwell, who for six months vainly attempted to capture the Castle and have the town at his mercy. The gallantry of the Irish under Colonel Hugh O'Neil defeated all his efforts and would have eventually compelled him to raise the siege, had it not been for the treachery of an Anglo-Irish officer named Fennel, who was subsequently hanged by his new friends on a charge of "several murders."

In 1690 during the war between William and James, Limerick was again the theater of more deadly conflicts. After the disaster of the Boyne, the Irish army reinforced the garrison to keep communication open with France. Sarsfield, though second in command to Gen. Boisseleau, was the actual leader of the besieged. William, flushed with victory, appeared before the city on August 8th. Limerick showed so stout a front that he ordered from Dublin a heavy battery train, mortars, ammunition and pontoons, but these having been intercepted by Sarsfield aided by Galloping Hogan, a chief of raparees, were totally destroyed. A breach nevertheless was effected, and an attempt was made to take the city by storm on the 27th of August.

The conflict that ensued is one of the most famous in history. When the day seemed almost lost to the Irish—the enemy in their streets and their stronghold, the black battery, taken after a bloody struggle by the Brandenburgers, the officers excitedly leading their men into the path of victory—the crisis arrived when the foresight of the Irish leaders was to strike terror and save the city. To prepare for such an emergency, the Black Battery had been ruined. The moment had come to spring it. The result was terrific. After the fearful pause that followed the explosion, Sarsfield seized the opportunity, rallied his broken columns, and, conspicuous at their head, renewed the

defense, drove the assailants from street to street, forced them over the works and backward through the breach.

Not only did the citizens not in arms enter into the conflict, but the women and children shared in the glory of the rescue of the city. "Many young and delicately nurtured ladies were found after the combat amongst the slain," by the side of their male relatives.

In August, 1691, the Anglo-Dutch army again appeared before Limerick which after a few weeks siege capitulated to honorable terms, the leaders seeing nothing to hope for in prolonged resistance. On the 3rd of October a treaty was signed on a large stone near Thomond gate bridge at the Clare side. This treaty has become famous from the infamous manner in which almost immediately it was violated; hence Limerick is called "the city of the violated treaty"; and within a few years back the historic "Treaty Stone" was elevated to its present position on the top of a neat pedestal in presence of the municipal authorities and assembled citizens.

Two days after the treaty was signed a French fleet of 18 ships of war, 6 fire ships and 20 great ships of burden, 10,000 stands of arms, 200 officers and 23,000 men arrived on the coast; but the treaty had been signed, the honor of the nation pledged, and to the Irish leaders it was inviolable. The provisions of the treaty were applicable to all Catholics in any part of Ireland and secured them in their properties and in the rights, privileges and immunities they had enjoyed in the reign of Charles II.

Sarsfield and his brother officers in marching out of Limerick thought that they were leaving as a barrier against oppression of the Catholics at least the honor of a king. It is said that William was not a bigot but if that were true, it only adds to the blackness of his infamy in failing to redeem his plighted word; the whole history of Ireland since that time is one long and continual breach of that treaty.

On a July morning of the next year, when the parliament of Ireland was devising cunning oaths against transubstantiation and the invocation of saints to drive out the few Catholic members, Patrick Sarsfield and some of his comrades just fresh from Limerick, had the deep gratification of meeting King William on the glorious field of Steinkirk. Sarsfield and Berwick were then officers in high command under Marshal Luxembourg, when King William at the head of a great allied force attacked the French encampment. The attacking force was under the banners of England, of the United Provinces, of Spain and of the Empire; and it had all the advantage of effecting a surprise. The battle was long and bloody and was finished by a splendid charge of French cavalry, among the foremost of those leaders was the same glorious Sarsfield, whose sword had once driven back the same King William from the walls of Limerick. The English and their allies were entirely defeated in that battle with a loss of

about 10,000 men. Once more and before long Sarsfield and King William were destined to meet again; it was at the battle of Landen or Neerwinden as it is called by the French. Marshal Luxembourg attacked the allied army under King William, of which the English formed a large contingent, strongly posted round the village of that name. After a sharp struggle the allies were routed. We can only portray the final scene. At length the flying army of King William arrived at the little river Gette, and here the retreat was in danger of becoming a total rout, arms and standards were flung away and the multitudes of fugitives were choking up the fords and bridges of the river, or perishing in its waters, so fiercely did the victors press upon their rear. It was here that Patrick Sarsfield, Earl of Lucan who as well as at Steinkirk had earned the admiration of the whole French army, received his death-shot at the head of his men. It was a happy moment. Before he fell he could see the standards of England swept along by the tide of headlong flight, or trailing in the muddy waters of the Geete, he could see the scarlet ranks that he had once hurled back from the ramparts of Limerick, now rent and riven, fast falling in their wild flight, while there was sent pealing after them the vengeful shout, "Remember Limerick!"

The army that sailed from Limerick under the command of Sarsfield and later of the Duke of Berwick and other chiefs, equally illustrious, formed the nucleus of the famous Irish Brigade. Many of the officers and men were natives of the old city on the Shannon or of somewhere on its banks as was Count Lally's father, for instance. Their achievements on every battlefield of Europe, and even of India, have shed lustre on their native land.

Mr. Robert T. Browne was at all the booths last night and made himself very agreeable at the Limerick Booth.

Miss Sadie Campbell and the Misses Dorgaloh, Sophie, Mary and Annie, patronized Limerick Booth.

At the door of Limerick Booth you hear and see young Dan, a "chip off the old block" spiling for the benefit of this county. Inside you will meet Mrs. Inskeep, a sister and the Vice-President of the booth, who with rare tact will show you all the pretty things in the booth, you will also meet Mrs. Dan Reardon, Mrs. P. O'Connell, Miss Mollie Reardon and Mrs. Inskeep's daughters, all of them of one family, and all for Limerick.

The attaches of "All Ireland" are kept busy answering inquiries about Mr. Joseph X. Strand, the most handsome man on the staff. His irresistible smile has set the fair sex in a whirl and he goes home every night with many beautiful bouquets from his fair admirers.

T. Redmond Doyle, a nephew of Thomas Canon Doyle, of Waterford, visited the Fair last evening in company with Miss Margaret Quinn.

Sgeulta Ma h-Alonaighe

M. E. O'Connor, the well-known contributor to "All Ireland" and "The Leader" visited the Map. He said that it exceeded his gratest expectations, and he was especially delighted with Kerry, which he said was perfect in every detail.

Rev. J. Leahy of Sonoma, took in the Fair in company with Father Brady. Rev. P. J. Keane, Rev. John Nugent, Rev. Charles McMahon, Father Stokes, Clifford, Sullivan and many other priests.

The Misses Kate and Belle Wattson were amongst the visitors last evening. They were entertained by Rev. Father Casey and it is reported that the Wicklow Booth profited largely by their visit. They were delighted with the artistic appearance and social life of the Fair and they promised to pay another visit.

Rev. Father Casey, the happy pastor of St. Peter's, visited our sanctum last evening and extended congratulations all round.

Galway Booth enjoys the distinction of having among its workers Mr. Wm. Murphy—a Galwayman from Cork.

It is whispered that a certain young lady in the Galway Booth can explain the phenomenon.

Since Owen O'Reilly began to "spiel" for the Cavan Booth, business there is brisk. If no other attraction is on, Mr. O'Reilly's merry laugh can always be relied upon to draw a crowd.

Messrs. Dunham, Carrigan & Hayden Co. donated material for the horse-shoes made by Mr. John McCarthy of the Monaghan Booth.

The anvil contest for the most popular blacksmith is waxing warm.

Mr. Dan Barry of the United Undertaking Company undertook to see the Irish Fair last night. He was in the company of several charming young ladies and was introduced in the different booths. "Dan" is a good fellow and the people whose booths he visited wish to thank him for his generosity.

Mr. Richard O. Driscoll, President of St. Patrick's Branch, had a flower garden decorating his manly breast.

Rev. Father McMahon says he is going to have Irish the only language spoken in North Beach.

Rev. Father Horan said he never felt so proud as when leading St. Patrick's delegation into the Pavilion last evening.

St. Francis Branch was "commanded" in grand style by Mr. P. A. Buckley, followed by the Misses Maud Kilcommin and Mary McFadden, who carried the banners, and four boys from the Presentation Convent with Kettle Drums.

Miss Olita Whittier and Miss Kathleen O'Connor of the Chicago Business College were among the visitors to "All Ireland" yesterday.

The Misses Laise and Fanny Lucier Miss Grace Sharkey, Miss Minnie Kirby render valuable assistance daily in

the office of "All Ireland." Mrs. Fred. Ruddock also gives much of her time to the good work.

"My Lord Kitchener" has been returned to his place in the Shooting Gallery. Judging by his savage look the gentleman does not feel at home at the Irish Fair.

Miss Myrtle Melody looked charming in pink silk, with Chantilly lace trimmings.

Miss D. Mariante was one of the visitors from San Leandro to the Fair.

Miss Kenny of Roscommon looked sweet in white.

Miss Daly was becomingly attired in blue.

Hon J. V. Coffey, the famous Probate Judge, visited the Fair last evening. "Pretty lively" remarked Attorney Prendergast to him, "I guess there isn't any job for us in this. The Fair doesn't seem to need probating."

It is whispered that there is danger ahead for the exhibit of little Jas. V. Coulter—the youngest contributor to the art collection.

Miss A. O'Dwyer and Miss Ellie Donohue were attracted by the ice cream booth.

Mr. John Lynch, so well known in Catholic circles, was at the Fair last evening. He just arrived in the city from an extended trip and his first thought was for the Irish Fair. Mr. Lynch was astonished though he came prepared for great things. "It beats all my expectations."

Miss Margaret Cullinan of Cork Booth is doing excellent work for the festival.

Mrs. Mulvey, president of Meath Booth, has on exhibition a lady's gold watch donated by George R. Moss & Co. The beautiful time-piece is attracting much attention and the sale of tickets thereon is brisk.

Mr. C. J. Collins entertained Miss Minnie Lorigan at tea in the Refreshment Booth.

Miss Annie Goggin loves to see the flaming forge and hear the bellows roar.

Miss Mary O'Connor was beautiful in navy blue silk, with a picture hat of forget-me-nots.

Miss Luoi Ah Moy was among the many patrons of the ice cream garden last evening. She says the ice cream there is the finest she ever ate, and promised to bring up her many friends as often as she can. The above young lady is connected with the firm of Sing Fat & Co.

How is the young man who treated Miss Mary McCormick and Miss Nellie Gallagher to a ride on the jaunting car and likewise the rocky road to Dublin.

Miss Clara Rodgers and Mr. Frank Waikes of Nicasio, paid a visit to Tyrone as did Misses Tessie and Winnie Olsen, Miss Duffy, Miss Cassasis and others from St. Dominic's Parish, who enjoyed themselves playing the Tyrone races.

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There is no more interesting place to spend an hour than in a graveyard or a library. The desire to be remembered is almost universal among men. Most people hate to be forgotten by their friends. Hence the desire to erect a tombstone or to write a book. On the one, it is written that a person lived, and then he died; and in the other it is written that while he lived he had some thoughts which he wished to leave as a legacy to the generations yet unborn. We range among tombstones, and sometimes we can not repress a smile. The inscriptions are often naive and sometimes most curious. I once saw a tombstone erected over the grave of a certain lady, and after it was gravely told that she had been born and died (at a respectable age, by the way), it was added that she had the honor of having had the first dance with King George III, on the occasion of a certain visit to Edinburgh. I compared the date of that visit, and by inference of the dance aforesaid, and I found that at that time King George was simply a lunatic under restraint. The honor was dubious, but then, small favors are thankfully received.

The writers of books are oftentimes not less foolish than that dear old lady. They wish to be remembered, and they write a book. It is a monument for their thoughts, strangely and wonderfully arrayed.

What strikes one most forcibly on entering a graveyard, is the variety of tombstones, and the various degrees of care or neglect which they present. Some are bright and polished, carefully set up, and carefully attended; others are inclining at every angle; some are prone upon the ground. They are moss-grown and unsightly, and the lettering has long since ceased to be legible, for the weeds that have grown up and fastened themselves to the stones. Those who lie beneath are forgotten. The friends who erected the monuments are themselves laid away. Oblivion and utter ruin have overtaken them, and the name of them is spoken no more, and the very memory of them has gone out from the minds of men.

In the library, the same things are seen. There are books, which, like old tombstones are prone upon the ground. They are moss-covered and dusty, and given over utterly to oblivion and decay. What monuments they are! We take them down from the undisturbed region of the upper shelf, we shake off from the covers and out from the pages of them the accumulated dust of the years. We look into the lettering, and we read the history of the minds whose monuments they are. It is a history which often gives us pause. It is too often the history of failure, the history of wasted energy, the history of a mind groping in the dark for light, which, if it shone there, was not comprehended. We read the story of a life spent in discussing the pros and cons of some old exploded and discredited theory. We read the story of minds poisoned by bigotry, hemmed in by prejudice, and

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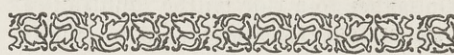
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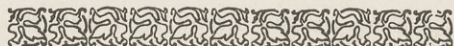
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Again, these unused books tell the story of minds in all stages of decay. Their pages give expression to feeble and diluted thought. The dreams of the visionary are there. The prattle of those who are children in intellect, is set forth. The complaints of old men, the wail of the pessimist, and all that varied exhibition of the human mind when it ceases to keep in touch with the living world around about; all is laid out and embalmed within the covers of those old books, never to be exhumed, save when the antiquary comes, or the lover of the curious, or he who is looking for a chance to smile.

But from the midst of that vast and unsightly wreckage, there stands out many a noble monument, many a proud inscription. Books that tell of the genius of man. Polished shafts, straight and tall and stately, lettered in gold, telling that those in whose memory they stand are dead and yet they live. Centuries may have gone by since those monuments were erected, and they have grown but stronger and more beautiful with the lapse of time. All paths that lead to them are worn by the busy feet of millions who come to them to learn the story that they have to tell. The books of the Scripture are today, as of old; Homer still pleases, and Horace is "read by the learned Spaniard," and Virgil is a model of beauty now, as in times long gone by. Shakespeare and Dante still teem with the wealth of thought which each successive generation is anxious to make its own.

These are some of the thoughts that come to us when we enter a graveyard or a library; thoughts which have arrested many a good man on the downward grade, and stayed him when he was about to stretch forth his hand and write a book of poetry, or perpetrate some other unpardonable crime.

These reflections have come even unto me, and I have set them forth in "All Ireland," that they may be known to the ends of the earth.

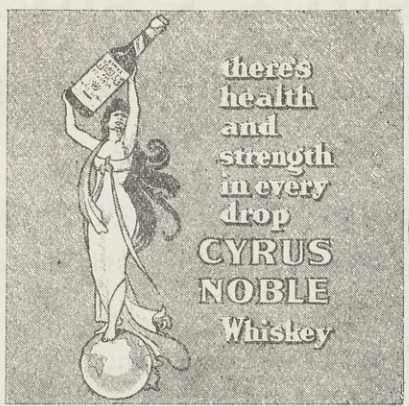
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